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WASHINGTON, May 14, 1992 -- New car orders jumped 43 percent during the first quarter of 1992, the Association of American Railroads and American Railway Car Institute reported today.

Railroads and private car companies placed orders for 8,421 cars during the quarter, compared with 5,873 during the same 1991 period, the AAR and ARCI said.

"While the increase is encouraging, it's still a little too early to tell whether it indicates railroad equipment orders are starting to bounce back from the recession," said Dr. Harvey A. Levine, vice president for economics and finance at the AAR.

"Although new car orders rose sharply, orders for rebuilt equipment dropped almost 80 percent. And deliveries for both freight cars and locomotives were also off sharply," Dr. Levine pointed out.

Orders for rebuilt cars declined from 5,232 during the first quarter of 1991 to 1,060 this year.

Deliveries for both new and rebuilt cars also dropped during the quarter. Deliveries of new equipment fell 27 percent, from 6,397 to 4,660. Rebuilt deliveries fell 65 percent, from 1,487 in 1991 to 519 in 1992.

The AAR also reported that deliveries of new locomotives fell 42 percent, from 151 in the first quarter of 1991 to 87 in 1992.

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FREIGHT CARS AND LOCOMOTIVES ORDERED AND DELIVERED
AND BACKLOG OF ORDERS
ALL RAILROADS AND PRIVATE CAR LINES

DELIVERED

	Jan. - Feb. - Mar.		Oct. - Nov. - Dec.	Year-to-Date	
	1992	1991	1991	1992	1991
Built New by Car Builders	4,660	6,397	5,943	4,660	6,397
Built New in R.R. Shops	0	0	0	0	0
Built New - Total	4,660	6,397	5,943	4,660	6,397
Rebuilt (Class I only)	519	1,487	420	519	---
Locomotives	87	151	112	87	151

ORDERED

Built New by Car Builders	8,421	5,873	6,383	8,421	5,873
Built New in R.R. Shops	0	0	0	0	0
Built New - Total	8,421	5,873	6,383	8,421	5,873
Rebuilt (Class I only)	1,060	5,232	1,455	1,060	5,232

ON ORDER AND UNDELIVERED

	Apr. 1		Jan. 1
	1992	1991	1992
Built New by Car Builders	12,975	10,683	9,215
Built New in R.R. Shops	0	0	0
Built New - Total	12,975	10,683	9,215
Rebuilt (Class I only)	1,705	3,745	1,164
Locomotives	4	101	31

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WASHINGTON, August 11, 1992 -- Orders for new freight cars during the second quarter of this year jumped 63 percent from the comparable period in 1991, the Association of American Railroads and American Railway Car Institute reported today.

A total of 8,354 cars were ordered during the April-June period this year, up from 5,126 ordered during the comparable period in 1991.

For the first six months of 1992, a total of 16,775 new cars were ordered, up 53 percent from the first half of 1991.

Orders for rebuilt freight cars, however, were down 83 percent for the quarter and 81 percent for the first six months.

Deliveries of new freight cars were down less than 1 percent during the second quarter, from 6,003 in 1991 to 5,962 this year. For the first six months of 1992, deliveries were down 14 percent from 1991 as 10,622 new cars were placed in service.

A total of 74 locomotives were delivered during the second quarter, down one-third from the 111 delivered during 1991's second quarter.

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Freight Cars and Locomotives
Ordered, Delivered and On Order

Delivered

	2nd Quarter		Previous Qtr.		Year-to-date	
	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991
Built New by Car Builders	5,962	6,003	4,660	6,397	10,622	12,400
Built New in RR Shops	0	0	0	0	0	0
Built New – Total	5,962	6,003	4,660	6,397	10,622	12,400
Rebuilt (Class I Only)	688	3,750	519	1,487	1,207	5,237
Locomotives	74	111	87	151	161	262

Ordered

	2nd Quarter		Previous Qtr.		Year-to-date	
	1992	1991	1992	1991	1992	1991
Built New by Car Builders	8,354	5,126	8,421	5,873	16,775	10,999
Built New in RR Shops	0	0	0	0	0	0
Built New – Total	8,354	5,126	8,421	5,873	16,775	10,999
Rebuilt (Class I Only)	352	2,120	1,060	5,232	1,412	7,352

On Order and Undelivered

	As of July 1		As of April 1	
	1992	1991	1992	1991
Built New by Car Builders	15,367	9,806	12,975	10,683
Built New in RR Shops	0	0	0	0
Built New – Total	15,367	9,806	12,975	10,683
Rebuilt (Class I Only)	1,369	2,120	1,705	3,745
Locomotives	100	66	4	101

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